

§ 3552.9-2 Application for extension.

- (a) Filing requirements:
 - (1) No specific application form is required.
 - (2) Application for extension shall be filed in the proper BLM office at least 90 days prior to expiration of the permit.
 - (3) Application for extension shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable filing fee of \$25, and advance rental of 50 cents per acre, or fraction thereof made payable to the Department of the Interior—Bureau of Land Management. The rental payment shall not be less than \$20.
- (b) The application for extension shall:
 - (1) Demonstrate that the permittee has met the conditions for extension set out in § 3552.9-1 of this title;
 - (2) Demonstrate the permittee's diligent prospecting activities; and
 - (3) Show how much additional time is necessary to complete prospecting work.

§ 3552.9-3 Effective date.

The permit extension shall become effective as of the date of approval.

Subpart 3553—Preference Right Lease

§ 3553.1 Application for preference right lease.

§ 3553.1-1 Filing requirements.

- (a) No specific application form is required.
- (b) An application shall be filed in triplicate with the proper BLM office no later than 60 days after the prospecting permit expires.
- (c) The application shall be accompanied by the first year's rental at the rate of 50 cents per acre or fraction thereof made payable to the Department of the Interior—Bureau of Land Management. The rental payment shall not be less than \$20 (see subpart 3503).

§ 3553.1-2 Contents of application.

- (a) The application shall contain a statement of qualifications and holdings in compliance with subpart 3502 of this title.
- (b) The application shall contain a complete and accurate description of

the lands in accordance with § 3501.1 of this title. The lands shall have been included in the prospecting permit and shall not exceed 5,120 acres.

(c) The application shall be accompanied by a map(s) which shows utility systems, the location of any proposed development or mining operations and facilities incidental thereto, including the approximate locations and the extent of the areas to be used for pits, overburden and tailings, and the location of water sources or other resources which may be used in the proposed operations or facilities incidental thereto.

(d) The application shall include a narrative statement setting forth:

- (1) The anticipated scope, method and schedule of development operations, including the types of equipment to be used;
- (2) The method of mining anticipated, including the best available estimate of the mining sequence and production rate to be followed; and
- (3) The relationship, if any, between the mining operations anticipated on the lands applied for and existing or planned mining operations, or facilities incidental thereto, on adjacent Federal or non-federal lands.

§ 3553.2 Review of application.

§ 3553.2-1 Preference right determination.

The authorized officer shall determine whether the permittee has discovered a valuable deposit of "Gilsonite". The determination shall be based on the data furnished to the authorized officer by the permittee as required by part 3590 of this title during the life of the permit and supplemental data submitted at the request of the authorized officer to determine the extent and character of the deposit, the anticipated mining and processing methods, the anticipated location, kind and extent of necessary surface disturbance and measures to be taken to reclaim that disturbance.

§ 3553.2-2 Surface management agency.

The surface management agency, if other than the Bureau, shall review the application for preference right lease